GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2585
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REDUCTON IN BASIC DUTY OF IMPORTED LIQUOR
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering bringing down basic duty on imported liquor from 150% to less than 75%;

(b) If so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has considered its impact on local players; and

(d) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) At present, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government to reduce basic customs duty on liquor.

(b), (c) & (d) Does not arise in view of the (a) above.